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TITLE: COUPLING DEVICE BETWEEN A TOWING VEHICLE, IN PARTICULAR A  
FARM TRACTOR AND A TRAILER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**ATTN.: BOX PCT APPLICATION**

Ass't. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the initial Office Action, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 1, line 1, please insert the following paragraphs:

~~CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS~~

Applicant claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of Austrian  
Application No. A 778/99, filed on April 30, 1999. Applicant also  
claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 of PCT/AT00/00107, filed on  
April 27, 2000. The international application under PCT article  
21(2) was not published in English.